

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

Eastern District of California

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

AARON A CORTEZ

JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE

Case Number: **6:21MJ00013-001**

Defendant's Attorney: Griffin Estes, Assistant Federal Defender

THE DEFENDANT:

- ☒ pleaded guilty to count 3 of the Complaint.
- ☐ pleaded nolo contendere to count(s) , which was accepted by the court.
- ☐ was found guilty on count(s) after a plea of not guilty.

The defendant is adjudicated guilty of these offenses:

Title & Section	Nature of Offense	Offense Ended	Count
36 CFR §4.2	Carrying Or Storing A Bottle, Can, Or Other Receptacle Containing An Alcoholic Beverage That Is Open Within A Motor Vehicle	4/10/2021	3

The defendant is sentenced as provided in pages 2 through of this judgment. The sentence is imposed pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984.

- ☐ The defendant has been found not guilty on count(s) .
- ☒ Count(s) 1, 2, and 5 are dismissed on the motion of the United States.
- ☐ Indictment is to be dismissed by District Court on motion of the United States.
- ☐ Appeal rights given. ☒ Appeal rights waived.

It is ordered that the defendant must notify the United States attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, residence, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments imposed by this judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay restitution or fine, the defendant must notify the court and United States attorney of material changes in economic circumstances.

7/20/2022

Date of Imposition of Judgment



Signature of Judicial Officer

Helena M. Barch-Kuchta, United States Magistrate Judge

Name & Title of Judicial Officer

7/26/2022

Date

PROBATION

The defendant is hereby sentenced to probation for a term of:

12 months.

If this judgment imposes a fine, special assessment, processing fee or restitution, it is a condition of probation that Defendant pay in accordance with the Schedule of Payments sheet of this judgment.

While on probation, the defendant shall be subject to and must comply with the following conditions of probation:

CONDITIONS OF PROBATION

1. The defendant's probation shall be supervised by the probation office.
2. The defendant is ordered to obey all federal, state, and local laws.
3. The defendant shall notify the court and, if represented by Counsel, your counsel of any change of address and contact number.
4. The defendant shall pay a fine of \$300.00 and a special assessment of \$10.00 for a total financial obligation of \$310.00, which shall be due immediately/paid in full by 5/20/2023. Payments shall be made payable to the Clerk, U.S.D.C., and mailed to

CLERK U.S.D.C.

2500 Tulare Street, Rm 1501

Fresno, CA 93721

5. The defendant is ordered to personally appear for Probation Review Hearings on 1/10/2023 and 6/13/2023 at 10:00 am before U.S. Magistrate Judge Helena Barch-Kuchta.

Two weeks before each Review Hearing defendant shall complete and submit the "Defendant's Probation Review Status Report" attached to this judgment and available on the court webpage.

6. Pursuant to 18 USC § 3572(d)(3), while on probation and subject to any financial obligation of probation, defendant shall notify the court of any material change in defendant's economic circumstances that might affect defendant's ability to pay the full financial obligation.
7. The defendant shall advise the court and Government Officer through Counsel, if represented, within seven days of being cited or arrested for any alleged violation of law.
8. The defendant shall comply with all rules and requests by the court necessary and proper to carry out his conditions of probation, including, but not limited to, providing any and all financial information.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF PROBATION

1. You must participate in an outpatient alcohol abuse treatment program and follow the rules and regulations of that program. The probation officer, in consultation with the treatment provider, will supervise your participation in the program.
2. You must submit to substance abuse/alcohol abuse testing to determine if you have used a prohibited substance. You must complete one test within 15 days and at least two periodic tests thereafter. You must not attempt to obstruct or tamper with the testing methods.
3. You must abstain from the use of alcoholic beverages and shall not enter, visit, or be present at those places where alcohol is the chief item of sale.
4. You must not use or possess any controlled substances without a valid prescription. If you have a valid prescription, you must disclose the prescription information to the probation officer and follow the instructions on the prescription.
5. You must submit your person, property, home, and vehicle to a search conducted by a United States probation officer or any law enforcement officer under the immediate and personal supervision of the probation officer, based upon reasonable suspicion of unlawful conduct or a violation of a condition of supervision, without a search warrant. Failure to submit to a search may be grounds for revocation. You must warn any other occupants that the premises may be subject to searches pursuant to this condition.
6. You must participate in a co-payment plan for treatment, testing and/or medication and shall make payment directly to the vendor under contract with the United States Probation Office of up to \$25.00 per month.

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CRIMINAL MONETARY PENALTIES

The defendant must pay the total criminal monetary penalties under the Schedule of Payments on Sheet 6.

TOTALS

<u>Processing Fee</u>	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>AVAA Assessment*</u>	<u>JVTA Assessment**</u>	<u>Fine</u>	<u>Restitution</u>
	\$10.00			\$300.00	

☐ The determination of restitution is deferred until ____ . An *Amended Judgment in a Criminal Case (AO 245C)* will be entered after such determination.

☐

If the defendant makes a partial payment, each payee shall receive an approximately proportioned payment, unless specified otherwise in the priority order or percentage payment column below. However, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3664(i), all nonfederal victims must be paid before the United States is paid.

☐ Restitution amount ordered pursuant to plea agreement \$ ____

☐ The defendant must pay interest on restitution and a fine of more than \$2,500, unless the restitution or fine is paid in full before the fifteenth day after the date of the judgment, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(f). All of the payment options on Sheet 6 may be subject to penalties for delinquency and default, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(g).

☐ The court determined that the defendant does not have the ability to pay interest and it is ordered that:

☐ The interest requirement is waived for the ☐ fine ☐ restitution

☐ The interest requirement for the ☐ fine ☐ restitution is modified as follows:

☐ If incarcerated, payment of any unpaid criminal monetary penalties in this case is due during imprisonment at the rate of 10% of the defendant's gross income per month or \$25 per quarter, whichever is greater. Payment shall be made through the Bureau of Prisons Inmate Financial Responsibility Program.

☐ Other:

* Amy, Vicky, and Andy Child Pornography Victim Assistance Act of 2018, Pub. L. No. 115-299

** Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act of 2015, Pub. L. No. 114-22.

*** Findings for the total amount of losses are required under Chapters 109A, 110, 110A, and 113A of Title 18 for offenses committed on or after September 13, 1994, but before April 23, 1996.

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Having assessed the defendant's ability to pay, payment of the total criminal monetary penalties is due as follows:

- A. ☒ Lump sum payment of \$ 310.00 due immediately, balance due
☒ Not later than 5/20/2023, or
☐ in accordance ☐ C, ☐ D, ☐ E, or ☐ F below; or
- B. ☐ Payment to begin immediately (may be combined with ☐ C, ☐ D, or ☐ F below); or
- C. ☐ Payment in equal ____ (*e.g. weekly, monthly, quarterly*) installments of \$ ____ over a period of ____ (*e.g. months or years*), to commence ____ (*e.g. 30 or 60 days*) after the date of this judgment; or
- D. ☐ Payment in equal ____ (*e.g. weekly, monthly, quarterly*) installments of \$ ____ over a period of ____ (*e.g. months or years*), to commence ____ (*e.g. 30 or 60 days*) after release from imprisonment to a term of supervision; or
- E. ☐ Payment during the term of supervised release/probation will commence within ____ (*e.g. 30 or 60 days*) after release from imprisonment. The court will set the payment plan based on an assessment of the defendant's ability to pay at that time; or
- F. ☐ Special instructions regarding the payment of criminal monetary penalties:

If incarcerated, payment of any unpaid criminal monetary penalties in this case is due during imprisonment at the rate of 10% of the defendant's gross income per month or \$25 per quarter, whichever is greater. Payment shall be made through the Bureau of Prisons Inmate Financial Responsibility Program.

The defendant shall make payments toward any unpaid criminal monetary penalties in this case during supervision at the rate of at least 10% of your gross monthly income. Payments are to commence no later than 60 days from placement on supervision. This payment schedule does not prohibit the United States from collecting through all available means any unpaid criminal monetary penalties at any time, as prescribed by law.

The defendant shall receive credit for all payments previously made toward any criminal monetary penalties imposed.

- ☐ The defendant shall pay the cost of prosecution.
- ☐ The defendant shall pay the following court cost(s):
- ☐ The defendant shall forfeit the defendant's interest in the following property to the United States: The Preliminary Order of Forfeiture is hereby made final as to this defendant and shall be incorporated into the Judgment.

Payments shall be applied in the following order: (1) assessment, (2) restitution principal, (3) restitution interest, (4) AVAA assessment, (5) fine principal, (6) fine interest, (7) community restitution, (8) JVT A assessment, (9) penalties, and (10) costs, including cost of prosecution and court costs.